

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)	Investigation No.
CERTAIN PHOTOVOLTAIC TRUNK BUS)	337-TA-1438
CABLE ASSEMBLIES AND)	
COMPONENTS THEREOF)	

OPEN SESSIONS

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1 were asked:

2 "Question: Was it before or after you filed for
3 your patent?"

4 And you answered:

5 "Answer: When we filed our patent, so we
6 understood there was a patent by Shoals. So if I have to
7 guess, I think at that time I know about Shoals has the
8 trunk bus product."

9 Were you asked that question and did you give
10 that answer?

11 A. Yeah. Like I say, if I have to guess.

12 Q. And, in fact, you cited a Shoals patent in your
13 first application, your first U.S. application for the LYNX.
14 True?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Can we pull up Exhibit CX-1198, please.

17 And if we can -- do you see the first page, the
18 application number ends in 307 and the document date is July
19 21st, 2022? Do you see that?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Okay. If we can go to page 6 of the document.
22 Do you see your name on the application data sheet as
23 inventor 1?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Okay. And the title of your invention was trunk

1 bus system. True?

2 A. I'm sorry? What was the question again?

3 Q. The title of your invention was trunk bus system.
4 True?

5 A. Is it --

6 Q. It's at the top of the page?

7 A. Can you please highlight for me?

8 Q. Title.

9 A. Sorry, what was the question again?

10 Q. The title of your invention was the trunk bus
11 system?

12 A. Oh, yes.

13 Q. And when you filed this application, you
14 identified only one patent, correct?

15 A. I don't remember exactly, but if you tell me
16 that, I don't have no reason to doubt it.

17 Q. Sure. And if we can go to page 2 of the
18 document. The patent you identified was the '224 [sic]
19 patent to Solon. Do you see that?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And the '224 [sic] patent, that was asserted
22 against Voltage in the last investigation, correct?

23 JUDGE JOHNSON HINES: Counsel, do you mean '254?

24 MS. COGHILL: '254 is what I meant, yes.

25 BY MS. COGHILL:

1 Q. And that was a patent asserted against Voltage in
2 the last investigation, correct?

3 A. Yes, that was one of the patents asserted, and
4 actually dropped by Shoals.

5 Q. And if we could go to page 22 of this document,
6 paragraph 5. The first sentence states, "previously,
7 certain trunk busses have been utilized that employ a
8 parallel structure."

9 Do you see that?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And you were referring to Shoals' product when
12 you made that statement. True?

13 A. I cannot recall. Trunk bus has been a very
14 common product in different industries.

15 Q. Okay. If we could go to your deposition
16 transcript on the 1438 -- no, I'm sorry, the 1365
17 investigation at page 25.

18 A. Page 25?

19 Q. It is page 26 on the bottom and page 25 on the
20 top.

21 A. I'm sorry, I think I'm a little bit lost.

22 Q. It should be in the book with the 1365 transcript
23 from the deposition.

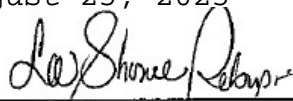
24 A. Yes, I'm there.

25 Q. Okay. And you were asked about paragraph 5 of

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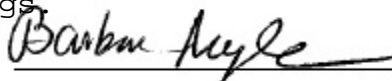
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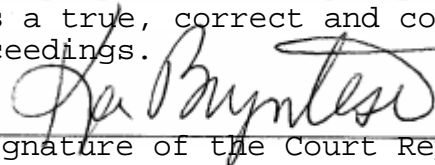
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